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Welcome to the planet Mobius – a world beyond what you know from the SEGA games!
We look 30 years into the future of Sonic to see what might come to be!

THIRTY YEARS INTO
THE FUTURE...
THE REMAINS
OF CASTLE MOBIUS,
ANGEL ISLAND

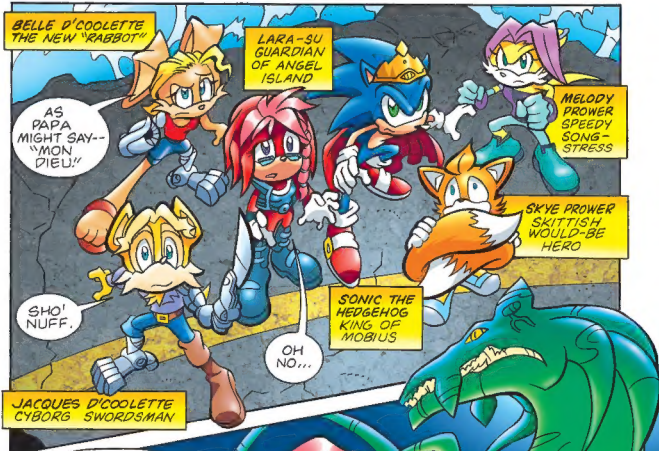
PERFECT TIKHAOS
SPIRIT AND GOD
COMBINED

MOBIUS:
30 YEARS LATER

The
FREEDOM FIGHTERS
of the FUTURE

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BELLE D'COOLETTE THE NEW "RABBOT"

LARA-SU GUARDIAN OF ANGEL ISLAND

MELODY PROWER SPEEDY SONG-STRESS

AS PAPA MIGHT SAY-- "MON DIEU!"

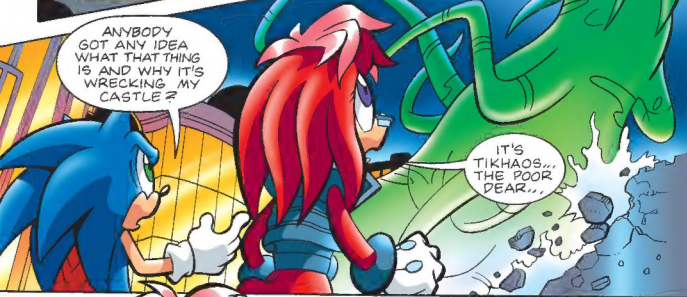
SKYE PROWER SKITTISH WOULD-BE HERO

SHO' NUFF.

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG KING OF MOBIUS

OH NO...

JACQUES D'COOLETTE CYBORG SWORDSMAN




ANYBODY GOT ANY IDEA WHAT THAT THING IS AND WHY IT'S WRECKING MY CASTLE?

IT'S TIKHAOS... THE POOR DEAR...




"TIKHAOS"? AS IN "TIKAL-PLUS-CHAOS"?

EXACTLY.



YOU DO NOT RECALL THE IXIS RESURGENCE OR THE ELEMENTAL WAR?

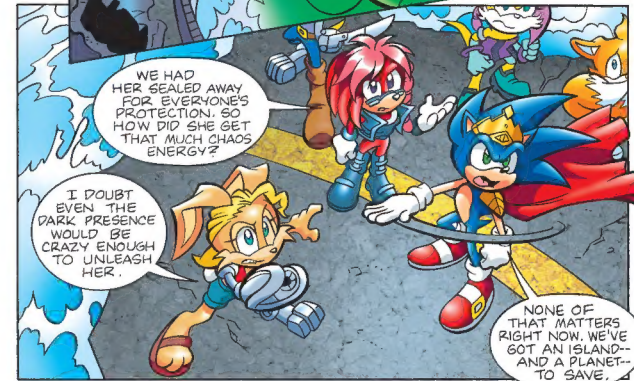
NO, I KIND OF WROTE MYSELF OUT OF THE TIMELINE WHEN I WENT BACK TO FIX IT. SUE ME.



TO SUMMARIZE-- THE SPIRIT TIKAL HAD TO FUSE WITH THE WATER GOD CHAOS AND BECAME A VERY UNSTABLE BEING, ESPECIALLY WHEN EXPOSED TO CHAOS ENERGY.



"AND I'M SENSING A LOT OF CHAOS ENERGY IN HER."



WE HAD HER SEALED AWAY FOR EVERYONE'S PROTECTION. SO HOW DID SHE GET THAT MUCH CHAOS ENERGY?

I DOUBT EVEN THE DARK PRESENCE WOULD BE CRAZY ENOUGH TO UNLEASH HER.

NONE OF THAT MATTERS RIGHT NOW. WE'VE GOT AN ISLAND-- AND A PLANET-- TO SAVE.

"WE'LL FIND WHOEVER'S RESPONSIBLE LATER."

IT IS DONE. I'M SORRY, MARIA.



I TRIED TO LEAD BY EXAMPLE, BUT THEY DID NOT SEE. I TRIED TO LEAD BY FORCE, AND I WAS REJECTED. I PROMISED YOU I'D BRING PEACE TO THE WORLD AND THE WORLD DEMANDS ONLY ANARCHY--CHAOS.

TIKHAOS WILL RAVAGE THE WORLD, WASH IT CLEAN, AND MOBIUS WILL SUFFER.

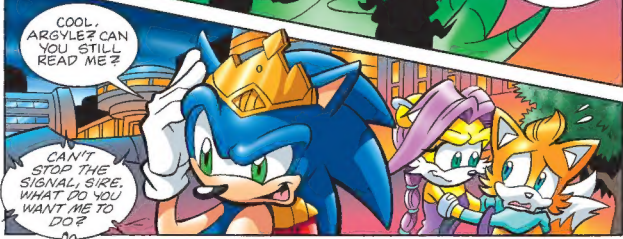
AND ONLY WHEN THEY HAVE LEARNED THEIR LESSON WILL I RETURN AND LEAD THEM TO THE PEACE YOU SO DESPERATELY WANTED FOR THEM.





OKAY--ON A SCALE OF ZERO-TO-PERFECT, HOW STRONG IS SHE? BECAUSE WE'RE FRESH OUT OF CHAOS EMERALDS.

NEAR PERFECT, BUT NOT INVINCIBLE. IF WE CAN KEEP HER STATIONARY AND WEAR HER DOWN, I MIGHT BE ABLE TO USE THE "TIKAL'S PRAYER" SPELL TO CALM HER.



COOL, ARGYLE? CAN YOU STILL READ ME?

CAN'T STOP THE SIGNAL, SIRE. WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?



GET IN TOUCH WITH THE E.S.T. START THEM ORGANIZING AN EVACUATION OF PORTAL.

ONE STEP AHEAD OF YOU SIRE. THEY WERE ALREADY ON CROWD CONTROL FROM THIS MORNING.

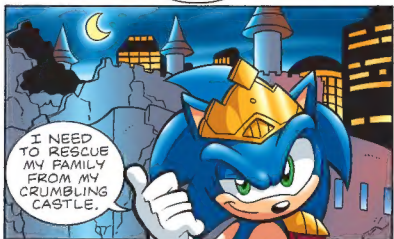


THE GIANT WATER MONSTER HELPS, TOO.

GOOD TO KNOW. LARA-SU, TAKE THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS AND STALL TIKHAOS.

M-ME? YOU WANT ME RUNNING THE SHOW?

THERE'S NOBODY BETTER, GUARDIAN.



I NEED TO RESCUE MY FAMILY FROM MY CRUMBLING CASTLE.



Hoo-boy...
OKAY!

JACQUES,
BELLE, I WANT
YOU ON FRONTAL
ASSAULT. KEEP
HER FROM MOVING
FORWARD.

YOU CAN
COUNT ON US,
MISS.

OUI,
CAPITAINE.

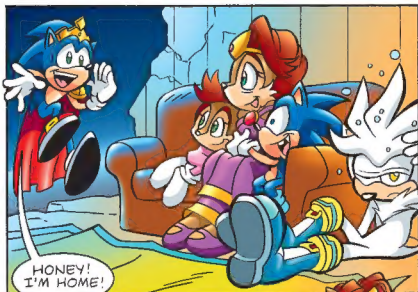
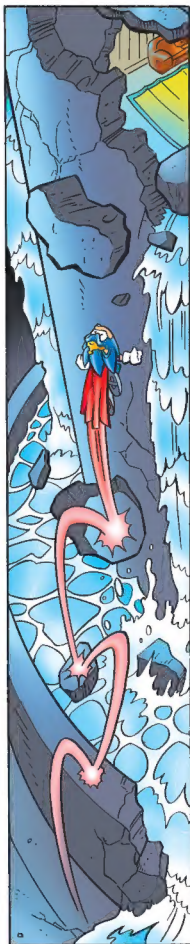
MELODY--
SKYE? CAN I ASK
YOU GUYS TO RUN
INTERFERENCE?

OH I'LL
RUN, ALL RIGHT.
THAT THING
WON'T KNOW
WHERE I CAME
FROM!

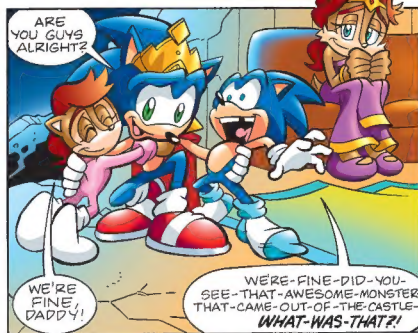
I-I-I'LL
HELP.
I'LL
D-DO MY
BEST.



**FREEDOM
FIGHTERS--GO!**



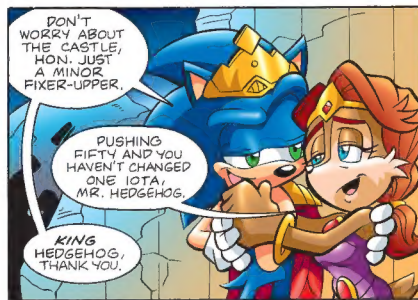
HONEY!
I'M HOME!



ARE
YOU GUYS
ALRIGHT?

WE'RE
FINE,
DADDY!

WERE-FINE-DID-YOU-
SEE-THAT-AWESOME-MONSTER-
THAT-CAME-OUT-OF-THE-CASTLE-
WHAT-WAS-THAT?!



DON'T
WORRY ABOUT
THE CASTLE,
HON. JUST
A MINOR
FIXER-UPPER.

PUSHING
FIFTY AND YOU
HAVEN'T CHANGED
ONE IOTA,
MR. HEDGEHOG.

KING
HEDGEHOG,
THANK YOU.

GOOD MORNING, SLEEPYHEAD.

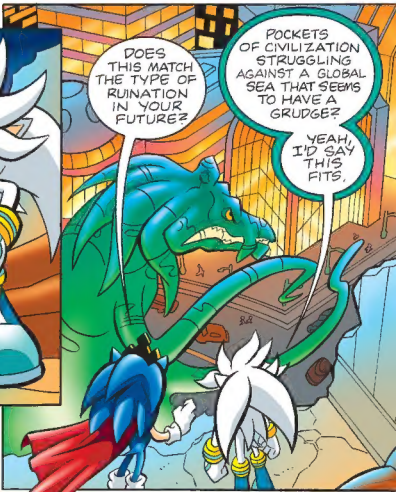
Ehgh... I TOLD YOU THIS WOULD HAPPEN.



DOES THIS MATCH THE TYPE OF RUINATION IN YOUR FUTURE?

POCKETS OF CIVILIZATION STRUGGLING AGAINST A GLOBAL SEA THAT SEEMS TO HAVE A GRUDGE?

YEAH, I'D SAY THIS FITS.



WHOOOPS!

WELL, I TOOK YOUR ADVICE AND GOT SOME FREEDOM FIGHTERS TOGETHER AND THEY'RE ON THE CASE. ARE YOU BACK TO FULL POWER?

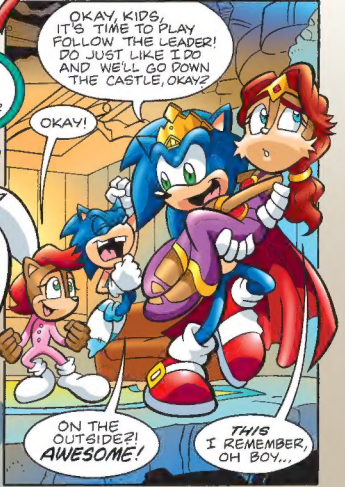
I-- um-- CLOSE ENOUGH?



GOOD!

OKAY, KIDS, IT'S TIME TO PLAY FOLLOW THE LEADER! DO JUST LIKE I DO AND WE'LL GO DOWN THE CASTLE, OKAY?

OKAY!



ON THE OUTSIDE?! AWESOME!

THIS I REMEMBER, OH BOY...

I BET
I CAN
GET DOWN
FASTER!

NUH-UH!
I CAN!

SONIA!
MANIK!
NOT NOW,
KIDS! JUST
FOLLOW
DADDY,

EEE-HEE-HEE...
EEEEK!

SORRY
DAD,

YOU'RE
DOING
GREAT!
KEEP IT
UP!

ARE YOU
THERE, ARGYLE?
I COULD USE AN
UPDATE,

SORRY,
SIRE, THERE'S
A LOT OF
COM-TRAFFIC
RIGHT NOW...



"THE ECHIDNA SECURITY TEAM SAYS EVACUATION OF PORTAL IS SLOW, BUT IT COULD BE WORSE. BUSES ARE ALREADY EN ROUTE TO ECHIDNAOPOLIS, AND THEY'RE PREPPING SHUTTLES TO ESCAPE THE ISLAND."

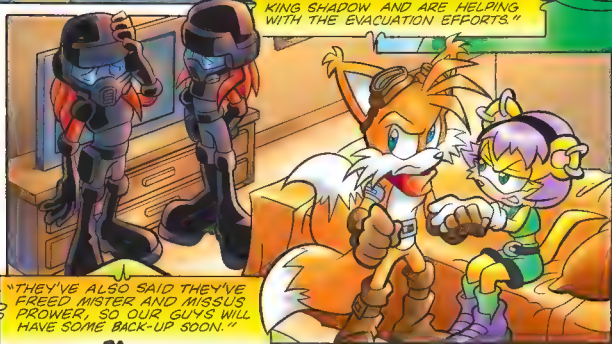
"TIKHAOS IS RIGHT ON THE CITY LIMITS BUT THE DAMAGE HAS BEEN PRETTY MINIMAL SO FAR-- NO INJURIES!"

"THAT'S THANKS TO THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS. THEY'VE MANAGED TO STOP HER ADVANCE, BUT THEY'RE DOING ALL THEY CAN TO NOT GET KILLED OUT THERE."

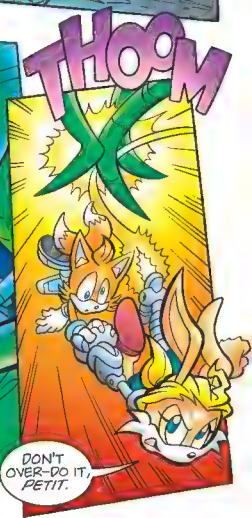
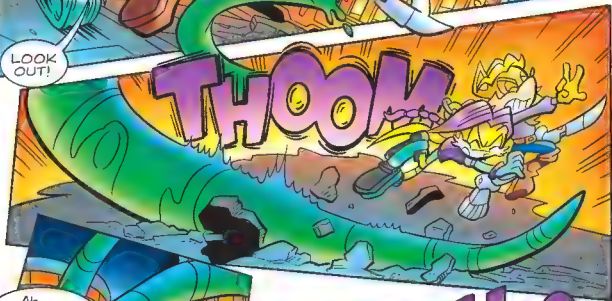
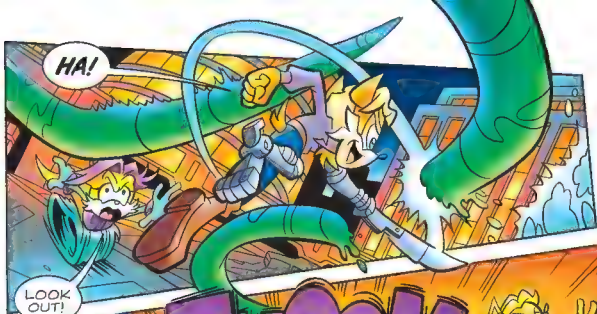


"I'M TRYING TO GET IN TOUCH WITH ANY OF THE CHAOTIX AROUND THE WORLD FOR BACK-UP, BUT NO LUCK SO FAR."

"GET THIS-- THE DARK PRESENCE CONTACTED ME. THEY'VE RENOUNCED KING SHADOW AND ARE HELPING WITH THE EVACUATION EFFORTS."



"THEY'VE ALSO SAID THEY'VE FREED MISTER AND MISSUS PROWER, SO OUR GUYS WILL HAVE SOME BACK-UP SOON."



TIKHAOS!
TIKAL!

I KNOW
YOU CAN HEAR
ME! YOU CAN
STOP THIS!
YOU'RE BETTER
THAN THIS!



UGH!

DON'T
GIVE IT UP
YET, GUARDIAN.
YOU'RE HOLDING
YOUR OWN
OUT THERE.



Buh...
MILES?

COME
ON, WE
NEED TO
SOFTEN HER
UP A BIT
MORE.



SLAM

WHAT ARE THE TWO OF YOU DOING IN THE MIDDLE OF THIS?!

MOOO-OOMM!

KING SONIC MADE US PART OF THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS! AFTER WE BEAT THIS MONSTER WE WERE GOING TO RESCUE YOU!

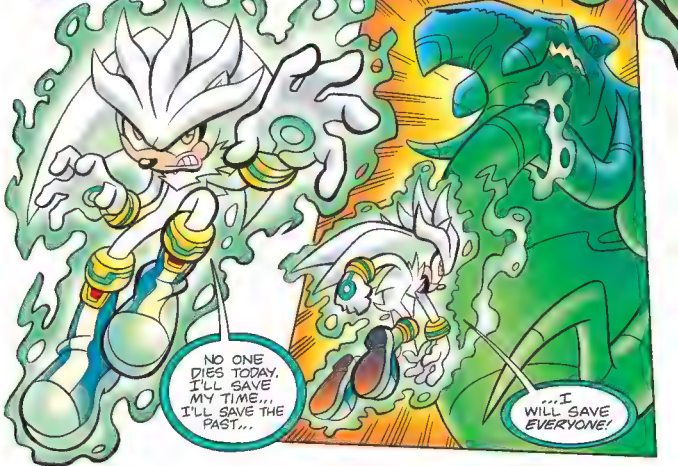
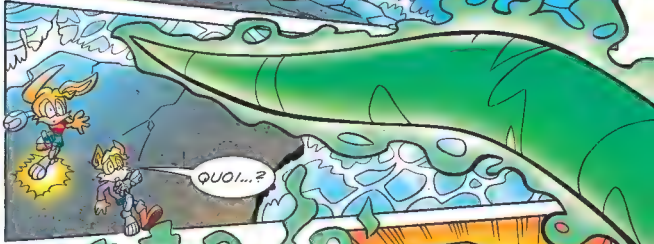
PLEASE, MOM! I WANT TO HELP! REALLY!

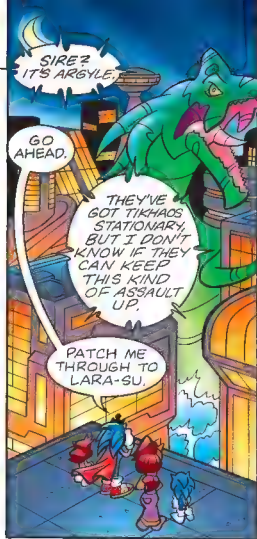
"FREEDOM FIGHTERS"? WHEN DID THE TWO OF YOU GROW UP SO FAST?

I'M GOING TO HAVE TO HAVE A TALK WITH SONIC, THOUGH.

YOU CAN'T JUST "TALK TO" THE KING LIKE THAT!

SURE I CAN! WE'VE GOT A HISTORY.





SIRE?
IT'S ARGYLE.

GO
AHEAD.

THEY'VE
GOT TIKHAOS
STATIONARY,
BUT I DON'T
KNOW IF THEY
CAN KEEP
THIS KIND
OF ASSAULT
UP.

PATCH ME
THROUGH TO
LARA-SU.



LARA,
IT'S SONIC.
WHAT DO WE
NEED TO DO
TO BRING HER
DOWN?

WE'RE NOT
WEAKENING HER
ENOUGH. WE
NEED TO
TAKE THE
FIGHT OUT OF
HER FAST OR
SHE'LL JUST
ENDURE US.



DAD!
HEY DAD!

WHY
DON'T YOU
HIT IT IN
THE BRAIN
LIKE
BEFORE?

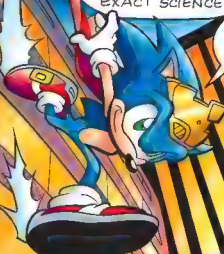
BEFORE?

YEAH, WHEN
YOU FOUGHT
PERFECT CHAOS
WHEN YOU
WERE YOUNG.

"WHEN
I WAS YOUNG!"
OUCH.

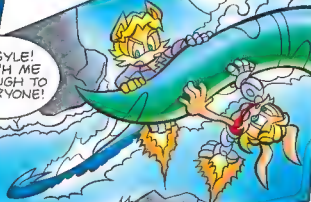
YOUR
BIGGEST
FANS DO
HAVE A
POINT.

AND A
PLAN, AT
THAT.




GRANTED, THERE WAS A LITTLE MORE INVOLVED IN THAT FIGHT, BUT THIS ISN'T PERFECT CHAOS AND IT'S NOT LIKE FIGHTING WATER-SPIRIT-MONSTER-THINGS IS AN EXACT SCIENCE.

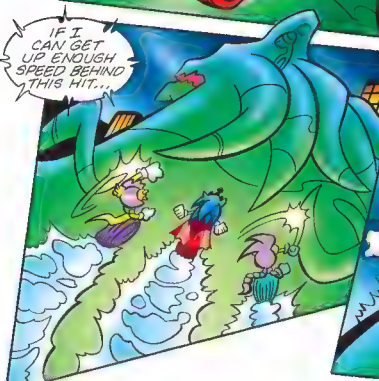
ARGYLE! PATCH ME THROUGH TO EVERYONE!




I NEED A CLEAR SHOT AT TIKHAOS' HEAD.



I NEED YOU ALL TO CLEAR A PATH FOR ME.



IF I CAN GET UP ENOUGH SPEED BEHIND THIS HIT...



... THEN IT'LL BE THE ONLY ONE WE NEED TO FINISH THIS.

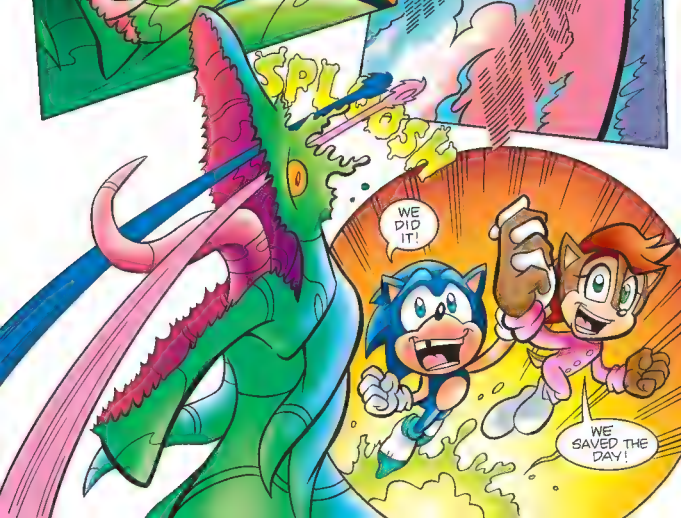
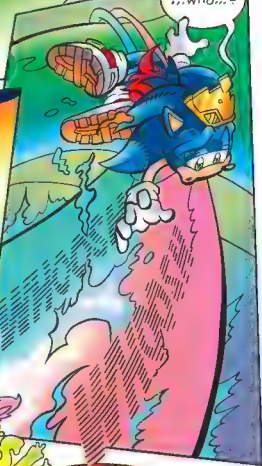


Oh crud--!

...who...?

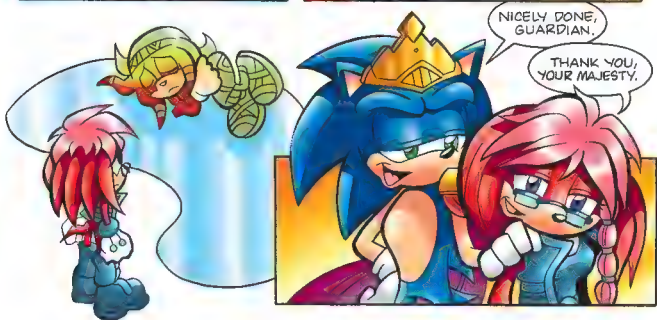
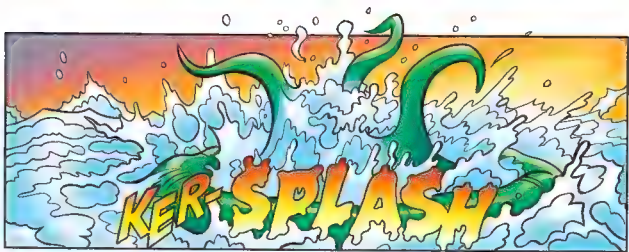


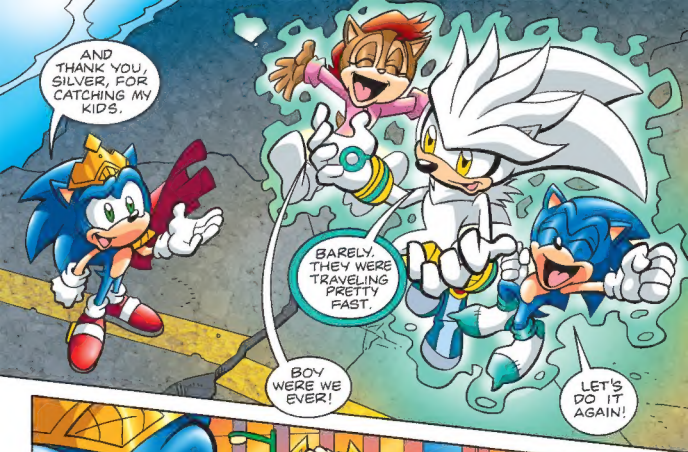
NO!!!



WE DID IT!

WE SAVED THE DAY!





AND THANK YOU, SILVER, FOR CATCHING MY KIDS.

BARELY. THEY WERE TRAVELING PRETTY FAST.

BOY WERE WE EVER!

LET'S DO IT AGAIN!



THANKS GOES TO YOU GUYS AS WELL. YOU CAME THROUGH AT A MOMENT'S NOTICE AND LIVED UP TO THE TITLE OF "FREEDOM FIGHTERS."

JUST LIKE OLD TIMES, eh?




YEAH, EXCEPT I DON'T REMEMBER MY BACK HURTING LIKE THIS BACK THEN.



SO WHAT DO YOU THINK? CRISIS AVERTED?


FOR NOW, YES. AT LEAST FROM THIS TIME PERIOD.



I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU EVER RECALL SOMEONE WITHIN YOUR GROUP OF FREEDOM FIGHTERS TURNING ON THE TEAM?

NO. THEN AGAIN, IF TIME TRAVELING TAUGHT ME ANYTHING, IT'S THAT RARELY IS ANYTHING CLEAR.

MY OWN PLACE IN THIS TIME-LINE IS SKETCHY, TO BE HONEST.



I UNDERSTAND. I MUST RETURN TO THE FUTURE. I LEAVE THIS PRESENT IN YOUR HANDS.

WE'LL KEEP THINGS SAFE, SILVER.



CHRONOS CONTROL.



BREN-DING



THAT'S AN
AWFULLY BIG
PROMISE THERE,
KING HEDGEHOG.

YEAH, WELL,
I THINK WE
PROVED WE'RE
UP TO IT.



SHOULD WE
TELL KNUCKLES
THE CHAOTIX ARE
OUT OF A JOB?

NO, YOUR
MAJESTY. THEY
JUST HAVE
ANOTHER TEAM
THEY CAN COUNT
ON.



THE NEW
FREEDOM FIGHTERS
ARE READY FOR
ACTION.

AND
DON'T WORRY,
ARGYLE.
YOU'RE WITH
US IN
SPIRIT.

EPILOGUE

DOWNUNDA--
CRATER RIM



YOU WERE
RIGHT, DOCTOR.
ANGEL ISLAND
WILL BE OVER
US BY
TOMORROW.

HOW ARE
YOU HANDLING
THE ANTICIPATION,
GRANDMASTER?

PERSONALLY,
I'M DYING TO
SEE KNUCKLES
AGAIN.

What is Dr. Finitevus doing in Knuckles' ancestral homeland of Downunda? Who is he talking with, and what are they plotting for Angel Island?

All this and some old familiar faces in next month's
SONIC UNIVERSE!

